

From: Connie Montgomery
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:08 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

I urge you to allow a public debate on the vitally important issue of media consolidation.

I am citing a statement attributed to you in a recent interview: "I think we're one of the most heavily lobbied federal institutions in the government, second only to the U.S. Congress. I don't, by the way, think that's a particularly good thing."

We live in a democracy, the greatest democratic experiment the world has known. Concomitantly, the process of being lobbied and holding public debate is as it should be. I know that you will agree with me.

From: clairevogel1@juno.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:46 PM
Subject: NEED FOR PUBLIC MEETING

Mr. Michael Powell, Chair of the FCC

The general public has a right to know what the proposed rules changes are and have an opportunity to comment on them as well.

The decks are stacked against those most affected by rules changes, as can be seen from the fact that MoveOn.Org was unable to place their Tampa TV ad until AFTER the expected date of the rules change.

Chairman Powell: Citizens of a DEMOCRACY deserve the benefits of a democracy. I urge that you set the date for a public meeting to be held BEFORE the changes are announced!

Claire Vogel

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02-277

From: chris clement
To: Mike Powell
Date: Thu, May 29, 2003 6:42 PM
Subject: grievances

Shouldn't television stations be willing to air grievances against BIG companies? They won't touch this one and it's so relevant.

See how COTTMAN TRANSMISSIONS, NPR serviced my car at:
<http://www.ripoffreport.com/view.asp?id=49761>
I support our troops.

02-277

From: Cheri McSpaden
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 3:56 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Dear Mr. Powell,

I was in the radio business for 20 years, and worked hard to be in a position to buy my own staion, but my dream was wrecked when the FCC ruled that big owners could gobble up all the little stations. Now when you drive across the country, every staion sounds almost exactly the same. Please don't do to TV.

Cheri McSpaden
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02-277

From: Charlotte Silverman
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 3:55 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

I am against any further "Murdoching" of OUR TV. media and newspapers. We need more varied opinions, not fewer. The airways belong to all of us. Stop giving this important resource away to media giants who want to push only their agenda, with a crumb here and there to any opposition view. Mrs. C. Silverman, 4820 Lucerne Lakes Blvd. Lake Worth, Fla. 33467

02-277

From: Carol Ann MacKinnon
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:12 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Now hear this:

I strenuously object to any loosening of rules presently governing ownership of newspaper, radio & T.V. stations. Rather, rules need to become more stringent. What in the name of all that's good and & holy do you think you're doing?!!!! You are there to serve the public good not individuals or corporations bent on communication monopolies. But you know that.

Loretta MacKinnon
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From: Carla Herwitz
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:02 PM
Subject: Allowing further media conglomeration

Dear Chairman Powell:

I do not believe that you have given the public sufficient attention in this major FCC de-regulation you plan to vote in on Monday, June 2.

We have little enough diversity and truthful news and opinion already, since the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Please delay this action until the citizens of this great country, conceived in liberty, have spoken. It's not too late to do this process right.

Sincerely,

Carla Herwitz
Member of MoveOn.org's Media Action Group
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<http://www.planet-save.com>

02-277

From: c price-alick
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:08 PM
Subject: cancel the June 2 vote and listen to what the PEOPLE want!

Sincerely, Catherine Price-Alick 833 Stephens Missoula MT 59801

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Bush, Cheney, Rumsfeld and Ashcroft=the axis of evil

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From: c h-w
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 3:39 PM
Subject: Letter

what the hell are you people doing?

i contacted you last week to express my dismay at your disregard of public
protes RE
your re-regulating the media companies of the country.

you people don't see that further de-regulation UNDERMINES DEMOCRACY, and a
PLURALISTIC
"4th HOUSE"???

Please re-consider and instead re-regulate the current media to **BREAK UP
MONOPOLY.**

To do anything else is to betray the soul of our country ... that is **FREE
SPEACH and PLURALISTIC
DEBATE.**

With dismay (i know i don't own a media empire, but i thought all citizens
were equal... am i
wrong?).

Please consider my comments and delay monday's vote. I'm watching you.

Charles Herman-Wurmfeld
LA CA 323 791 2901

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From: bwithey
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 3:40 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Dear Chairman Powell,

I'm not sure I clicked on the correct site, as specified in your telephone message, but hopefully you will receive my request.

I respectfully request that you allow more time to evaluate the consolidations of our communications networks. Having recently returned from a visit in Europe I am aware of the glaring differences between "news" we receive in the U.S. and "news" in Europe. Further consolidations, I believe will narrow even further what Americans read and see on television, especially.

PLEASE, Mr. Chairman, allow more time to evaluate this very important issue. Do not further restrict what information Americans are exposed to, in this democratic country.

Thank You for your consideration in this matter.

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02-277

From: Bunnyraskin@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 24, 2003 6:42 PM
Subject: (no subject)

We want the FCC to maintain the present regulations and not allow news outlets or TV stations or Cable or Internet and Radio to fall in to the hands of a few that already own other outlets. We object to the new proposal set forth by Powell. Airways belong to the public, not corporations.

Dorri Raskin
Jerry Raskin
Florence Raskin

02-277

From: BUDnBECKY@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 24, 2003 4:19 PM
Subject: merger

In keeping with democracy, why in the world would you allow just a "few companies" to own all of the air waves?? This is my request as a US citizen to NOT allow this to happen to our country.

Respectivly yours
Becky Kemp
Hoagland, Indiana 46745

02-277

From: BRumbarger
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 8:46 PM
Subject: Fcc and medoa cpmtrp

Ido not want decisions as to what is appropriate for tv shows to be determined by people in New York, Los Angeles or some other "Big" City.... I want more control locally.....Please!!!!!! Betty Rumbarger,
ansonbetty@mindspring.com

02-277

From: Brother David Steindl-Rast
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 5:59 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Chairman Powell, you still have the power to delay the FCC rule change and to allow time to have a democratic debate about its consequences. In the name of democracy, please make use of this power; don't rush the matter. Thank you.
David Steindl-Rast, Ithaca, NY

02-277

From: Bob Stanfield
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, ":"@fcc.gov, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 5:41 PM
Subject: Never, ever, EVER, is this ok

According to this article
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A23613-2003May21.html?nav=hptoc_tn>
in the Washington Post your agency is traveling under funds provided by
entities that you regulate. The excuse is that travel funds are tight.

As a government employee in a federal agency, I cant even let a hotel
provide free doughnuts for members attending a conference because it
would be improper.

You know this is wrong. There is no explaining this.

Give me a break.

Discipline those responsible. If that were me accepting the free trip,
I would of been removed.

Bob Stanfield
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From: Dan Ehrler
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 28, 2003 2:41 PM
Subject: Communication Issues

The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman, and Members
Federal Communications Commission

Dear Chairman Powell and Commission Members:

Attached are three letters regarding issues on which the El Segundo Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors took action during its May Board Meeting. The 310 area code split, portability postponement, and number contamination are addressed in each letter. While the first letter is addressed specifically to the California Public Utilities Commission, we wanted you to also be aware of its content. The second and third letters are addressed to you. Hard copies of these communications have also been sent to you.

Your invaluable time and consideration are greatly appreciated.

Most sincerely,

Dan

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From: cliff wildman
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:03 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Mr. Powell,

Please don't vote for expansion of ownership. This will reduce the voices we have in an already limited marketplace and kill the chance of small media businesses to succeed.

Best,

Cliff Wildman
Austin, TX

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From: Chris Coppen
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 4:31 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Mr. Powell,

I respectfully urge you to delay implementation of revised FCC regulations until further study and public input has occurred.

My concern is that far from increasing diversity of voices the opposite might occur.

Thank you,

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From: Clark Orwick
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, May 30, 2003 12:29 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Mr. Powell,

Please don't give Murdock any more money, he's rich enough.
Clear Channel, the right wing mouthpiece, are already stuffing opinions into the MacDonald's and Jerry Springer crowd.

The rest of the population that retain a semblance of independent thought are starved for relevant information.

I am lucky, I have enough money to own a "Sirius" system and I get my news from international sources. Most people don't have access to international and hard news sources.

Those of us who are digital, forget that most Americans are still out of the computer and cable loop.

Locally owned stations are sometimes the only relevant information they get.

As a proponent of the Christian Right, you mustn't allow your religious views to enter into your public responsibility.

I am not a Christian, does that mean that you think my views aren't relevant?

Bush:

"...I don't know that atheists should be considered as citizens, nor should they be considered patriots. This is one nation under God."

Is this your policy as well?

From the pooter of:
Clark Orwick

"The news and truth are not the same thing. "
Walter Lippmann, American journalist, 1889-1974